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## OCTOBER - DECEMBER 2007 MILK PRODUCTION REPORT

### SOUTH CAROLINA MILK PRODUCTION UP FROM LAST QUARTER

There were an estimated 73 million pounds of milk produced in SOUTH CAROLINA during the October - December quarter of 2007, according to the USDA-NASS, South Carolina Field Office. This is up 2 million pounds from the 71 million pounds produced in the July - September quarter, and up 6 million pounds from the 67 million pounds produced in the October - December 2006 quarter. There were 18,000 milk cows on SOUTH CAROLINA farms during October - December 2007, unchanged from the previous quarter, and up 1,000 cows from the previous year.

### U.S. MILK PRODUCTION UP 3.2 PERCENT

Milk production in the U.S. during the October - December quarter totaled 46.0 billion pounds, up 3.2 percent from the October - December quarter last year. The average number of milk cows in the U.S. during the quarter was 9.20 million head, 80,000 head more than the same period last year.